

SENATE, No. 910

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

219th LEGISLATURE

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District 9 (Atlantic, Burlington and Ocean)

SYNOPSIS

Appropriates \$26,140,000 for dredging projects and dredged material disposal projects related to navigational waterways.

CURRENT VERSION OF TEXT

As introduced.



1 AN ACT concerning the dredging of navigational waterways and
2 other waterways of navigational importance in the State and
3 making an appropriation.
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5 BE IT ENACTED by the Senate and General Assembly of the State
6 of New Jersey:
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8 1. There is appropriated from the General Fund to the
9 Department of Environmental Protection the sum of \$22,140,000
10 for the purposes of dredging, and properly disposing of the dredged
11 materials from, the following projects involving dredging of
12 navigational waterways or related to the disposal of dredged
13 materials therefrom:
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15	<u>Waterway</u>	<u>Estimated Project Cost</u>
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17	Double Creek and	
18	Highbar Harbor Channel, Ocean County	\$1,700,000
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20	Smiths Creek, Middlesex County	\$ 400,000
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22	Bidwells Creek, Cape May County	\$ 300,000
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24	Waackaack Creek, Monmouth County	\$ 800,000
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26	Upper Manasquan, Ocean County	\$1,200,000
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28	Shark River Back Channel, Monmouth County	\$1,200,000
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30	Rumson Dredge Spoils	
31	Disposal Site Stabilization	\$ 500,000
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33	Waretown Creek, Ocean County	\$ 400,000
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35	Lakes Bay, Atlantic County	\$ 1,400,000
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37	Beaver Dam Creek South Branch, Ocean County	\$ 500,000
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39	Cedar Creek, Ocean County	\$ 450,000
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41	Sunset Lake, Cape May County	\$ 840,000
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43	Harvey Cedars North and South, Ocean County	\$ 900,000
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45	Kettle Creek, Ocean County	\$ 500,000
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47	Laurel Harbor/Oyster Pond Channel, Ocean County	\$ 450,000

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1	Federal/State ICW Study	\$1,600,000
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3	Kinsey Cove Channel (Harvey Cedars),	
4	Ocean County	\$ 600,000
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6	Liberty Harbor	\$ 350,000
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8	Loveladies Harbor Lagoons Entrance	\$ 800,000
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10	Mill Creek and West Thoroughfare	\$1,600,000
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12	Mud Channel (Barnegat Bay)	\$1,200,000
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14	Parkertown Creek	\$ 750,000
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16	South Branch of Forked River	\$1,100,000
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18	Westecunk Creek (Eagleswood)	<u>\$ 1,200,000</u>
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20	TOTAL	\$22,140,000

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22 2. There is also appropriated from the General Fund to the
23 Department of Environmental Protection the sum of \$4,000,000 for
24 the purposes of dredging, and properly disposing of the dredged
25 materials from, the following projects involving dredging of
26 waterways of navigational importance for recreational and
27 residential boating in the State that have not been officially
28 designated as navigational waterways:

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30 Hancy's Pond, Forked River
31 Manahawkin Creek
32 Veeder and Bayview Lagoon
33 Mystic Island Lagoons
34 O Street Lake Lagoon, Seaside Park
35 Skippers Cove Beach
36 Sunrise Beach, Forked River
37 Thompson Creek, Tuckerton
38 Tide Pond Creek.
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40 3. The Department of Environmental Protection shall apply any
41 unexpended monies from the appropriations made pursuant to this
42 act to the cost of dredging other navigational channels in the State.
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44 4. This act shall take effect immediately.
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47 STATEMENT

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49 This bill appropriates \$26,140,000 for the purposes of dredging,

1 and properly disposing of the dredged materials from, certain
2 navigational waterways, projects related to the disposal of dredged
3 materials from such dredging projects, and the dredging of other
4 waterways of navigational importance that are not designated as
5 navigational waterways. The dredging projects of navigational
6 waterways outside of the New York/New Jersey port region have
7 gone unfunded for many years and the situation has reached a
8 critical stage. A number of the projects on the list of navigational
9 waterways in the bill are State priority projects that the State has
10 been unable to fund from the "Port of New Jersey Revitalization,
11 Dredging, Environmental Cleanup, Lake Restoration, and Delaware
12 Bay Area Economic Development Bond Act of 1996,"
13 P.L.1996, c.70, because the remaining monies for this type of
14 dredging have been committed to the Delaware River deepening
15 project, another important and crucial navigational waterway
16 dredging project. The projects funded by the \$4,000,000
17 appropriation are of importance to residential and recreational
18 boating.